

Amendments to the Claims

Claims 1-56 (canceled).

Claim 57 (currently amended). A method of controlling the geometry or shape of comminuted matter produced by electrohydrodynamic comminution of at least one liquid, which method comprises ~~controlling or adjusting the~~ including an effective amount of at least one ~~medium to high weight~~ polymer, having a molecular weight of from about 40,000 to about 400,000, in at least one of the liquids.

Claim 58 (currently amended). A method according to claim 57, wherein the polymer is polyvinyl alcohol or polyvinyl pyrrolidone ~~PVA or PVP~~ in at least one of the liquids.

Claim 59 (currently amended). A method according to claim 57, which method comprises controlling the geometry or shape by adding sufficient polymer to the liquid to cause at least some of the comminuted matter to have a granular form with at least ~~some~~ a portion of the granules having fibrils or tails.

Claim 60 (currently amended). A method according to claim 57, wherein the liquid comprises water and ~~an~~ alcohol.

Claim 61 (withdrawn). Use of an oil-based formulation as a carrier for an active ingredient to be delivered to a user or patient as comminuted matter formed by electrohydrodynamic comminution of the formulation.

Claim 62 (withdrawn). A dispensing device having liquid supply means for supplying liquid to a liquid outlet means and means for subjecting liquid issuing from the liquid outlet means to an electric field to cause electrohydrodynamic comminution of the liquid, wherein the liquid supply means comprises a supply of liquid in the form of an oil-based formulation carrying an active ingredient.

Claim 63 (withdrawn). A nasal inhaler comprising a dispensing device in accordance with claim 62.

Claim 64 (new). A method according to Claim 57, wherein the liquid does not include surfactants.